

Newsletter

11th May 2025

WELCOME TO OUR CHURCHES:

CONNECT WITH US ONLINE:



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www.bramhambenefice.org

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FLUSHED WITH SUCCESS!

The new toilet facilities at St Luke's, Clifford, were officially opened during Lent by The Rev'd Nick Morgan, priest in charge at the church. This project, fraught with delays and unexpected complications, has finally come to fruition. The toilet has been a significant project for the church, enabled by generous legacies and much persistence on the part of Brabara Courtman, churchwarden of St Luke's. This will enable St Luke's to serve its parish more effectively and be more welcoming, not only at our weekly Sunday services and events, but also by being a welcoming space for others in the community to use. Please contact us if you think we might be just the place for your group!

Services across the Benefice

Join us at:
facebook.com/BramhamBenefice
or
www.BramhamBenefice.org/online-services

10.00am Wednesday - Communion Service at St. Mary's Church, Boston Spa

8am Sundays - Communion Service

1st, 3rd and 4th Sunday of the month at St. Mary's Church, Boston Spa

2nd Sunday of the month at All Saints', Thorp Arch

6pm Sunday—Compline Service at St. Mary's Church, Boston Spa

9.15am Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday Morning Prayer at St. Mary's Church, Boston Spa

OCCASIONAL OFFICES:

BAPTISM:

Arlo Calvert

18th May 2025
St Mary's Church,
Boston Spa

Isla Linnen

25th May 2025
St Mary's Church,
Boston Spa

WEDDINGS

Jake Daubney

and

Gabriella Jackson

31st May 2025
St Mary's Church,
Boston Spa

FUNERALS:

Val Waite

Wednesday 14th May
12noon
St Mary's Church,
Boston Spa

Tony Barker

Friday 16th May
11am
St Mary's Church,
Boston Spa

PLEASE HELP US PRAY

St. Mary's Email Prayer Group
If you would like to include someone
on the Prayer list please contact Niki on:
stmarysprayer18@gmail.com

THE RECENTLY DEPARTED:

Maureen Hepworth, Stephen Sharp, Susan Warnock,
David Kelly, Jane Tasker, Brenda Godfrey, Val Waite,
Martin Johnson and Tony Barker



**All Saints' Church,
Bramham**

4th May	10am	Celtic Service
11th May	10am	Communion Service
18th May	10am	Communion Service
25th May	10am	Parish Worship

**All Saints' Church,
Thorp Arch**

4th May	9.30am	Communion Service
11th May	8am	Communion Service
18th May	6pm	Evensong
25th May	9.30am	Parish Worship

**St. Luke's Church,
Clifford**

4th May	11am	Communion Service
11th May	11am	Parish Worship
18th May	11am	Communion Service
25th May	11am	Parish Worship

**St. Mary's Church,
Boston Spa**

4th May	10am	All Together Service
11th May	10am	Christian Aid Service
18th May	10am	Communion Service
25th May	10am	Communion Service

**St. Peter's Church,
Walton**

4th May		
11th May	9.30am	Communion Service
18th May	9.30am	Parish Worship
25th May	9.30am	Communion Service

Readings

4th May

Acts 9.1-6 (7-20)
John 21.1-19

11th May

Acts 9.36-43
John 10.22-30

18th May

Acts 11.1-18
John 13.31-35

25th May

Acts 16.9-15
John 14.23-29 or John
5.1-9

Please note all
Sunday Services at
St. Mary's will be
live-streamed



The **Bramham**
Benefice

Starting this week!

Bramham Benefice Bible Study Group

The Challenge of Acts

The Acts of the Apostles is St Luke's sequel to his Gospel account. Led by our vicar, The Reverend Nick Morgan, the course takes as its starting point "The Challenge of Acts" by Tom Wright, published only last year, which is described as "a crash course on the book of Acts and its relevance for Christianity and culture today".

7.30pm Tuesdays from 13th May

We meet at 7.30pm on Tuesdays in the St Mary's Room at St Mary's Church, Boston Spa. Sessions end with a short time of prayer and reflection, leaving for home at 9pm.

13th May
20th May
27th May
3rd June
10th June
17th June
24th June
1st July
8th July

The Ascension: to the ends of the earth!
The New Temple
Mission & martyrdom
Mission to the Gentiles (led by Rev'd Hannah)
Converts and controversy
Completing the circle
The Unknown God? Acts 17:16-24 in focus
Trouble in Jerusalem
And so to Rome

Acts 1
Acts 2-4
Acts 5-8
Acts 9-12
Acts 13-16
Acts 17-20

Acts 21-24
Acts 25-28

This is not a verse-by-verse Bible study, rather a drawing out of key themes from Acts, learning about the context of the early Church, and applying what we learn to our lives and our faith today. It would help our planning if you would please register your interest with the Parish Office, leaving a contact phone number and email address. bramhambenefice@outlook.com 01937 844402

If you wish to buy the book on which the course is based, it may be ordered from any bookshop using the following details: The Challenge of Acts by Tom Wright, published by SPCK 2024 (RRP £13.99 for the paperback) ISBN 978-0-281-09058-7

You do not need the book to participate in the course, but reading the relevant chapters of Acts before each session will help you get the most out of the sessions.



**Worried about money?
Need advice?**



Wetherby & Tadcaster COMMUNITY CAFES

**If you live in or around Wetherby or Tadcaster,
why not come along to a Community Cafe!
Helpful advice & info available including Money Buddies
Food parcels available if needed
NO APPOINTMENTS NECESSARY**

FREE! Hot drink plus toast or cake for everyone!

Fridays
10:00am - noon
Barleyfields
Community
Centre
Wetherby

Wednesdays
10:00am - noon
*The Barn
Community
Centre
Tadcaster

*Look out for venue
change details for
Tadcaster during
school holidays

**EVERYONE
WELCOME!**



**Collection Point
for Clothing Bank**
St. Mary's Church, Boston Spa
and
All Saints' Church, Bramham

WHAT WE ACCEPT

Children's Clothing from New Born
Upwards
Adult Clothing and Bras
Shoes and Bags for all Seasons
School Clothing
Smart Work Attire
Outdoor Clothing



Every Saturday
10am - 12 noon
St Mary's Church

A warm welcome for all ages
Coffee and refreshments
including home-baked cakes.

Children's activities

10 minute "Pause for Thought" at
11.15am

Pay as you feel
Everyone Welcome



St Mary's Church

DO YOU LIKE SINGING?
Why not join our choir?
All voices welcome

Choir Practice
Thursday 7pm-8.15pm
Sunday Service 10am
Practice 9.15am

Further details from
Steve Aston
steveinyork@talktalk.net
01904 625714

St Mary's and John Butterwick
present:

"Sip Smart" Wine Tasting

Affordable Alternatives to Pricy Wines

Saturday 14th June 7pm
St Mary's Church



Tickets available
from:

The Parish Office
Kate Kennedy
07801 536425
£25 per person
Supper / Raffle

Proceeds to St Mary's Church funds



Boston Spa
2025
Weekend Festival

ASSEMBLY BANGERS!

Saturday 12th July 2025, 7.30pm
at St Mary's Church, Boston Spa



Come and sing a selection of
school assembly songs and hymns with
Mrs Hilton and Reverend Nick!
Wine, squash & tuck shop in the interval.

In aid of Friends of St Mary's School
and St Mary's Church.

Tickets £6 or £10 for 2 (accompanied under 16s free)
available from school & church or on the door.



You are invited to the Bramham Benefice

PENTECOST SERVICE

The Holy Spirit equips us to communicate
the Good News of God's love
to one another and the world.

10am, Sunday 8th June 2025
at St Mary's Church, Boston Spa

featuring:

Live BSL translation
Holy Communion
Drama
Tongues of flame!
Bring and share lunch

Bringing together:

St Peter's, Walton
All Saints', Thorp Arch
St Mary's, Boston Spa
St Luke's, Clifford
All Saints', Bramham

and the worshipping
communities of:

Harmony (blind and
hearing people worshipping together)
Connections (Cafe Church)
All Together Worship
Celtic Communion

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Flourish is an act of Christian worship lasting around an
hour. It includes Bible readings, guided meditation, music,
videos, stories, prayers, and teaching about aspects of life
as a follower of Jesus.

Tea, coffee, biscuits (and very possibly cake!) will be available from 6pm.
Led by Jo Davies from Connections Café

Summer Programme

Heroes and Heroines of the Old Testament

May 18th
June 22nd
July 20th



St Mary's Summer Holiday Club 2025

All God's Creatures!

Wed 23rd – Fri 25th July 2025, 10^{am} – 1^{pm}
at St Mary's Church, Boston Spa

£3

per session,
per child

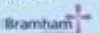
Three mornings themed on animals in the Bible
– some stories you may have heard of, and some
less famous ones. With games, craft activities,
songs, Bible stories and snacks, each morning is
loads of fun.

Led by Rev Nick & volunteers from local churches.



Booking is essential as places are limited and,
according to someone who came last year, this is
"The best holiday club I have ever been to!"

Send your completed booking form to The Parish Office,
St Mary's Church, High St, Boston Spa.



New Ainsty Deanery Synod meets at 7.30pm on Monday 12th May at St Mary's, Church Fenton.

This meeting is open to anyone to attend and will include a presentation from the Generous Giving team, so anyone with an interest in parish finances, and resourcing for mission is encouraged to attend.

The APCM of the Parish of Lower Wharfe takes place on Sunday 18th May at 12noon after morning worship. All welcome.

The Annual report is available on the Bramham Benefice website.

